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Harper's to Take Over Features of Reporter

The Reporter Magazine, due to cease publication June 13, will incorporate its chief editorial features with Harper's Magazine in a consolidation announced by officials of both publications in New York.

The merger will become effective with the July issue of Harper's, out June 25, when The Reporter's subscribers will begin receiving Harper's each month in lieu of the dying magazine.

Max Ascoli, who founded the Reporter in 1949, will be consulting editor of Harper's and contribute an article or essay each month. Ascoli announced he was halting the Reporter because of editorial and financial problems.

The Reporter's Washington editor, Meg Greenfield, is joining Harper's in the same capacity.

The merger was jointly announced yesterday by John Cowles Jr., president of Harper's. The magazine's editor-in-chief is Willie Morris, the eighth editor in the 119-year history of Harper's.

Other Reporter writers invited to contribute to Harper's include—George Bailey, who, as a foreign correspondent, covered primarily Germany and Eastern Europe; Claire Sterling, who covered the Mediterranean area and Africa; Edmond Taylor, based in Paris; and Denis Warner, Southeast Asia correspondent.

Additional features of the Reporter may also be incorporated

at a later date. The respective circulations are 293,000 for Harper's and 210,000 for the Reporter. Harper's circulation has grown more than 50 percent over the past 10 years.